

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Robert SOCHA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 3814
Application No.: 10/813,626 : Group Art Unit: 1756
Filed: March 31, 2004 : Examiner: Stephen D. Rosasco
For: SOURCE AND MASK OPTIMIZATION

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Noting the Office Action of June 19, 2007 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-5 and 16-20, drawn to a method of optimizing an illumination source) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,
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